

**PLEASE CONSIDER CALLING OR WRITING ELECTED OFFICIALS CONCERNING WHITES WOODS. ADDRESSES AND PHONE NUMBERS ARE ON THE BACK.**

**IF WRITING YOU MIGHT WANT TO CONSIDER USING ONE OF THE FOLLOWING SAMPLES. PLEASE RE-DO AND SEND TO AS MANY LETTERS AS POSSIBLE.**

**LETTER 1. SAMPLE LETTER TO WHITE TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS AND/OR RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT (ADDRESSES ON BACK):**

**Dear \_\_\_\_\_,**

**As a resident of the Indiana area, I am greatly concerned about the proposed timbering of White's Woods. White's Woods is unique in that it provides a natural forested area in very close proximity to an urban area. Countless recreational opportunities are only a short walk or bike ride away from thousands of residents. Timbering in White's Woods would significantly damage its natural beauty, the ecosystem, and diminish the attractiveness to local inhabitants. Timbering will further erode the aesthetics of the beautiful hillsides above Indiana and perhaps encourage more ridge development.**

**Before making any decision with respect to this issue, it is important that you carefully consider the damaging effect that timbering will have on this very beautiful area. If timbered, White's Woods as we know it will not be the same for generations. Also consider the number of people, many taxpayers and voters, who oppose this action.**

**As representatives of these individuals, you are compelled to consider their wishes. Accordingly, I ask you to refrain from any timbering in White's Woods and to preserve this area in its present state. Thank you for your attention to this very important matter.**

**Sincerely,**

**LETTER 2. SAMPLE LETTER TO AREA LEGISLATORS (ADDRESSES ON BACK):**

**Dear \_\_\_\_\_,**

**As a constituent in your district, I am writing to make you aware of my opposition to the proposed timbering in White's Woods. White's Woods is unique in that it provides a natural forested area in very close proximity to an urban area. Countless recreational opportunities are only a short walk or bike ride away from thousands of residents. Timbering in White's Woods would significantly damage its natural beauty, the ecosystem, and diminish the attractiveness to local inhabitants. Timbering will further erode the aesthetics of the beautiful hillsides above Indiana and encourage more ridge development.**

**As an elected official representing the interests of area residents, you must carefully consider those issues which concern your constituency, and take action as appropriate. Accordingly, I ask that you strongly urge the White Township Supervisors and the Indiana County Parks and Recreation Department to refrain from any timbering in White's Woods, and to preserve this area in its present state. Thank you for your attention to this very important matter.**

**Sincerely,**

**STATE REPRESENTATIVE**  
Representative Sara Steelman  
665 Philadelphia St.  
Indiana, PA 15701  
(412) 465-0220

**STATE SENATOR**  
Senator Patrick Stapleton  
581 Philadelphia St.  
Indiana, PA 15701  
(412) 349-7010

**U.S. REPRESENTATIVE**  
Representative John Murtha  
Centre Town Mall  
Box 780  
Johnstown, PA 15907  
(800) 289-2642

**COMMISSIONERS**  
Tom Coyne, Chairperson  
Indiana County Courthouse  
8th and Philadelphia Streets  
Indiana, PA 15701  
(412) 465-3800

**WHITE TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS**  
950 Indian Springs Road  
Indiana, PA 15701  
(412) 463-8585

**INDIANA RECREATION & PARKS DEPT.**  
39 North 7th Street  
Indiana, PA 15701  
(412) 463-3473

### **OTHER PLACES TO CALL OR WRITE**

**INDIANA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**  
P.O. Box 727  
Indiana, PA 15701  
(412) 465-2511

**THE INDIANA GAZETTE**  
9th and Water Streets  
Indiana, PA 15701  
(412) 465-5555

**THE PENN**  
Hadley Union Building  
I.U.P  
Indiana, PA 15705